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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

TAHSHEENA STACIE SAM,

Defendant.

No. 1:22-CR-02076-MKD-2

ORDER FOLLOWING INITIAL  
APPEARANCE AND  
ARRAIGNMENT AND SETTING  
DETENTION HEARING

On Tuesday, June 20, 2023, Defendant made an initial appearance and was arraigned based on the Superseding Indictment (ECF No. 52). Defendant was represented by Assistant Federal Defender Juliana Van Wingerden. Assistant United States Attorney Todd Swensen represented the United States.

Defendant was advised of and acknowledged Defendant's rights.

The Court entered pleas of not guilty on Defendant's behalf.

The Office of the Federal Defenders was appointed to represent Defendant.

Prior to the hearing, the United States filed a Motion for Detention (ECF No. 64).

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. The Court directs the parties to review the Local Criminal Rules governing discovery and other issues in this case. <http://www.waed.uscourts.gov/court-info/local-rules-and-orders/general-orders>.

1           2.     Under federal law, including Rule 5(f) of the Federal Rules of  
2 Criminal Procedure, *Brady v. Maryland*, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), and all applicable  
3 decisions from the Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit interpreting *Brady*, the  
4 United States has a continuing obligation to produce all information or evidence  
5 known to the United States relating to guilt or punishment that might reasonably be  
6 considered favorable to Defendant's case, even if the evidence is not admissible so  
7 long as it is reasonably likely to lead to admissible evidence. *See United States v.*  
8 *Price*, 566 F.3d 900, 913 n.14 (9th Cir. 2009). Accordingly, the Court orders the  
9 United States to produce to Defendant in a timely manner all such information or  
10 evidence.

11           Information or evidence may be favorable to a defendant's case if it either  
12 may help bolster the defendant's case or impeach a prosecutor's witness or other  
13 government evidence. If doubt exists, it should be resolved in favor of Defendant  
14 with full disclosure being made.

15           If the United States believes that a required disclosure would compromise  
16 witness safety, victim rights, national security, a sensitive law-enforcement  
17 technique, or any other substantial government interest, the United States may  
18 apply to the Court for a modification of the requirements of this Disclosure Order,  
19 which may include *in camera* review and/or withholding or subjecting to a  
20 protective order all or part of the information.

1 This Disclosure Order is entered under Rule 5(f) and does not relieve any  
2 party in this matter of any other discovery obligation. The consequences for  
3 violating either this Disclosure Order or the United States' obligations under *Brady*  
4 include, but are not limited to, the following: contempt, sanction, referral to a  
5 disciplinary authority, adverse jury instruction, exclusion of evidence, and  
6 dismissal of charges. Nothing in this Disclosure Order enlarges or diminishes the  
7 United States' obligation to disclose information and evidence to a defendant under  
8 *Brady*, as interpreted and applied under Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit  
9 precedent. As the Supreme Court noted, "the government violates the  
10 Constitution's Due Process Clause 'if it withholds evidence that is favorable to the  
11 defense and material to the defendant's guilt or punishment.'" *Turner v. United*  
12 *States*, 137 S. Ct. 1885, 1888 (2017) (quoting *Smith v. Cain*, 565 U.S. 73, 75  
13 (2012)).

14 3. A **detention hearing** was set **before Magistrate Judge Ekstrom in**  
15 **Yakima, Washington, on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 1:30 PM.**

16 4. Pending the hearing, Defendant shall be detained in the custody of the  
17 United States Marshals Service and produced for the hearing.<sup>1</sup> To the extent  
18 practicable, Defendant shall be confined separately from persons awaiting or  
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20 <sup>1</sup> See 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f).

1 serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. Defendant shall be  
2 afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with counsel. On order of  
3 a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the United States, the  
4 person in charge of the corrections facility in which Defendant is confined shall  
5 deliver Defendant to the United States Marshals Service for the purpose of an  
6 appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

7 5. The United States Probation/Pretrial Services Office shall prepare a  
8 pretrial services report prior to the hearing and shall notify defense counsel prior to  
9 interviewing Defendant.

10 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

11 DATED June 20, 2023.



*Alexander C. Ekstrom*

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ALEXANDER C. EKSTROM  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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